United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit



APPELLANT'S APPENDIX

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IN THE
UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS
FOR THE SECOND CIRCUIT

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Appellee,

V.

JOSEPH GAMBINO,

. Appellant.

ON APPEAL FROM AN ORDER OF THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

APPELLANT'S APPENDIX

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1-72	Filed Indictment.							
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2	Filed notice of appearance by Russo, Stein, Caid Victor 849 St. Ann's Ave. Bx. N.Y.
72	Filed Stipulation that Joseph Gambino is sub. as atty. for the deft. In place of Paul A. Victor Tenney, J.
_	Filed afdvt.& notice of motion to digniss the indictment, to suppress statements and for pre-trial hearing. Filed memorandum of law
_	Jury trial begun before Tenney, J. Trial continued. Trial continued.
_	Trial continued and concluded. Jury verdict: Deft. Guilty, Pre-sentence
_	investigation ordered. Sentence adjourned to 3-12-73. Bail continued. Tenney, J,
_	Gambino- Filed consent to change atty, substituting Saxe, Bacon Bolan, and Manley James La Rosa esq. So Ordered Tenney, J.
_	Filed Judgment (# 73 399)Atty present, the deft is sentenced to ONE YEAR, execution of prison sentence is suspended, deft is placed on probation for a period of ONE YEAR, subject to the standing probation order of this Court. AND deft is FINED \$750., fine to be paid during period of probation at such times and in such amounts as the probation department may direct on the deft is
	otherwise discharged according to lawBail pending appeal is contid on condition that the deft promptly prosecutes his appeal in accordance with the
	Court and the rules of the Court of Appeals for this CircuitTenney, J. Entered 4-18-73
_	Filed defendants affdvt. and notice of motion for a new trial.
	Filed memo endersed on above motion: Defendants motion for a new trial on the ground of newly discovered evidence is denied after hearing counsel in open Court. So ordered Tenney, J. (m/n)
	Filed notice of appeal to the U.S.C.A. for the 2nd Circuit from judgment filed L-17-73 (mailed cories to deft. and U.S. Atty.)
3	Hiled Transcript of record of proceedings, dated 4-17-13.
>	Willed Transcript of record of proceedings, dated Jon 30, 30 - For 1, 2, 1973
	Riled notice the record on appeal has this date been certified and transmitted to the U.S.C.A.
7	Joseph Gambino-Filed affidavit and notice of motion to allow deft to
7	travel outside the district.
	JOSEPH GAMBINO. Filed NOTICE TO OF MOTION TO ALLOW DEFENDANT TO TRAVEL OUTSIDE OF DISTRICT. Signed: SAXE, BACON, BOLAN, & MANLEY, attorneys for the defense.
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	JUDGE TENNEY
DATE	PROCEEDINGS
22-72	JOSEPH GAMBINO. Motion to allow defendant to travel outside district (filed on 7-12-73) is granted upon the following conditions: (1) defendant pay amount of fine prior to departure: (2) defendant file
	in detail.
	(2) defendant, or his counsel, notify U.S. Attorncy upon his return to district. So ordered by CHARLES TENNEY, U.S.D.J.
24-73	Joseph Gambino-Filed true copy of C.A. mandate affirming the D.C. Judgment Judgment entered 10-24-73, Clerk
24/74	J. Gambino - filed notice of motion re: vacate sentence
ביקו	Filed Govt.'s affdyt in opposition
30/75	Filed Govt.'s affdyt. in opposition to motion to vacate conviction,etc.
30/75	Filed memo-end. on motion docketed 10/24/74,Accordingly, the motion is denied. Tenney, J. mailed notices.
27-75	Filed notice of appeal of deft. Joseph Gambino from order of 01-31-75. mailed copics.
9-75	Filed notice that the record on appeal has been certified and transmitted to the U.S.C.A.
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The Grand Jury charges:

On or about the 8th day of June, 1967 in the Southern District of New York, JOSEPH GAMBINO, the defendant, unlawfully, wilfully, knowingly and falsely represented himself to be a citizen of the United States, in that in the course of an official interview of said defendant conducted by Special Agent Edwin C. Taylor, Federal Bureau of Investigation, the defendant falsely stated that he had become a citizen of the United States in 1960, whereas in truth and in fact, as the defendant then and there half knew, he was not then and had never previously become a citizen of the United States.

(Title 13, United States Code, Section 911)

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day of April , 19 73, came the attorney for the government and 17th Cn This the defendant appeared in person, and by Roy Cohen, Esq.

In Is Appuneup that the defendant upon his plea of a not guilty and a verdict of guilty by a jury

has been convicted of the offense of unlawfully, wilfully, knowingly and felsely represented himself to be a citizen of the United States, whereas in truth and in fact, as the defendant then and there well knew, he was not then and had never previously become a citizen of the United States. (Title 18, U.S.Code, Section 911)

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and the court having asked the defendant whether he has anything to say why judgment should not be pronounced, and no sufficient cause to the contrary being shown or appearing to the court,

In Is Adjudged that the defendant is guilty as charged and convicted.

IT Is Approprie that the defendant is sentenced to (1) CHE YEAR, execution of prison sentance is suspended, defendant is placed on probation for a period of (1) OHE TEAR, subject to the standing probation order of the Court.

-andthe defendant is FINED \$750., fine to be paid-during period of probation such times and in such amounts as the probation department may direct, the defendant is to be committed until the fine is paid or he is otherwise discharged according to law.

Bail pending appeal is continued on condition that the defendant prompt prosecutes his appeal in accordance with the rules of this Court and the rules of the Court of Appeals for this Gircuit.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that during the period of probation the defendant shall conduct himself as a law-abiding, industrious citizen and observe such conditions of probation as the Court may prascribe. Otherwise the defendant may be brought before the court for a violation of the court's orders.

It is Further Ordered that the clerk deliver three certified copies of this judgment and order to the probation officer of this court, one of which shall be delivered to the defendant by the probation

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

- against -

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JOSEPH GAMBINO,

: NOTICE OF MOTION

Defendant.

SIRS:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that upon the annexed affidavit of Roy M. Cohn, duly sworn to on the 21st day of October, 1974, the indictment and all the proceedings heretofore had herein, the undersigned, attorneys for the defendant, Joseph Gambino, will move this Court on the 1st day of November, 1974, at 2:00 P.M., for an order pursuant to 28 U.S.C. \$2255 to vacate the conviction and the sentence imposed by this Court on April 17, 1973, and for such other and further relief as to this Court may seem just and proper.

Yours, etc.,

SAXE, BACON, BOLAN & MANLEY Attorneys for Defendant 39 East 68th Street New York, New York 10021 (212) 472-1400

To: Hon. Paul J. Curran United States Attorney Southern District of New York Foley Square New York, New York 10007

COUNTY OF NEW YORK)

ROY M. COHN, being duly sworn, deposes and says:

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- 1. I am senior partner in the firm of Saxe, Bacon,
 Bolan & Manley, attorneys for the defendant, Joseph Gambino, and
 make this affidavit in support of defendant's motion to vacate
 his conviction and sentence.
- 2. On April 17, 1973, the defendant was given a one year suspended sentence after a four day trial before the Hon. Charles H. Tenney on a one count indictment for violation of 18 U.S.C. §911, which provides that:

Whoever falsely and wilfully represents himself to be a citizen of the United States shall be fined not more than \$1,000 or imprisoned not more than three years, or both.

- 3. The facts surrounding this case are such that it should never have been brought to trial. The defendant, an Italian immigrant, has a poor command of the English language. This fact was clearly demonstrated at trial and on the appeals which followed. No doubt, serious questions as to the propriety of the charge and the ensuing conviction existed in this Court's mind, as is exhibited by the sentence imposed upon the defendant.
- 4. Defendant's difficulties with comprehending and expressing himself in English have been pointed out to the various

courts which have considered this case. Undoubtedly, any misrepresentation made by the defendant to the F.B.I. agent were not made with an intent to mislead the agent, but rather stemmed from the defendant's inability to fully comprehend the agent's questions. No purpose would have been served had the defendant wilfully misled the agent, and under the circumstances there is serious doubt as to such intent.

5. We ask this Court to take judicial notice of the recent decision of the Hon. Gerhard Gesell, United States District Judge, in the case of United States v. Ehrlichman et al., Criminal No. 74-116, United States District Court, District of Columbia, July 22, 1974 (a copy of which is annexed), in which Judge Gesell, in vacating Ehrlichman's conviction under 18 U.S.C. § 1001, stated:

> "In short, the F.B.I. interview may occur as it did here - under extremely informal circumstances which do not sufficiently alert the person interviewed to the danger that false statements may lead to a felony conviction."

We submit that it is highly improper to uphold a felony conviction and subsequent sentence under the facts of the instant case. As Judge Gesell also pointed out, such convictions are tenuous, at best, when "There is no requirement of an oath, no strict rule of materiality, and no guarantee that the proceeding will be transcribed or reduced to memorandum."

In light of this recent pronouncement by such a highly respected member of the federal bench, and the attendant facts and circumstances, we respectfully request that the instant motion be granted, not only as to a vacating of the defendant's sentence, but, in the interests of justice, as to an over-turning of the conviction as well.

M. COHN

Sworn to this 21st day of October, 1974

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA		
v.)	Criminal No. 74-116	5
JOHN D. EHRLICHMAN, ET AL.		

MEMORAS DUM AND ORDER

On July 12, 1974, defendant John Ehrlichman was convicted by a jury on two counts of making false material declarations to a grand jury, 18 U.S.C. § 1623, one count of conspiracy to violate the civil rights of a citizen, 18 U.S.C. § 241, and one count of making false representations to an agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, 18 U.S.C. § 1001. Prior to trial, the Court had denied defense motions attacking all of these counts on a variety of grounds, but it had reserved judgment on the applicability of § 1001 pending the presentation of evidence at trial.* Defendant Ehrlichman has since renewed his objection to that count in a motion for judgment of acquittal not withstanding the verdict or for new trial. After carefully considering the evidence presented at trial and the arguments and briefs of counsel, the Court concludes that Congress did not intend that statute to be applied to statements given to the F.B.I. voluntarily and without oath or verbatim transcription during an interview initiated by the Bureau in the course of a criminal investigation.

Most of the courts that have considered the issue have been troubled by the application of § 1001 to F.B.I. interviews, although they have either denied such application on widely differing rationales or have permitted it on the ground that no particular rationale seemed persuasive in light of the Supreme Court's broad construction of that statute in such cases

^{*/} This reservation was made in part because the Court recognized that the defendant's allegedly false statements to the F.B.I. would be admissible at trial on issues of intent under the other perjury counts even if the count was dismissed, and the Court feared that dismissal before a jury verdict would suggest to the jury that the Court felt that the remaining false statement counts had been proven.

as United States v. Bramblett, 348 U.S. 503 (1955), and United States v. Gilliland, 312 U.S. 86 (1941). Compare United States v. Lombert, 470 F.2d 354 (5th Cir. 1972) (rehearing en banc granted April 17, 1973); United States v. Bedore, 455 F.2d 1109 (9th Cir. 1972); Friedman v. United States, 374 F.2d 363 (8th Cir. 1967); United States v. Davey, 155 F. Supp. 175 (S.D.N.Y. 1957); United States v. Stark, 131 F. Supp. 190 (D. Md. 1955); and United States v. Levin, 133 F. Supp. 88 (D. Colo. 1953); with United States v. Adler, 380 F.2d 917 (2d Cir.), cert. denied, 389 U.S. 1006 (1967); and United States v. Van Valkenburg, 157 F. Supp. 599 (D. Alaska 1950).

The principal difficulty with invoking § 1001 to punish those who lie to the F.B.I. when there is no legal obligation to respond to its inquiry is that the prosecution can thereafter demand sanctions as onerous as those imposed under the general perjury statute, 18 U.S.C. § 1621, without affording those suspected of criminal conduct with any of the safeguards normally provided under that statute. There is no requirement of an oath, no strict rule of materiality, and no guarantee that the proceeding will be transcribed or reduced to memorandum. See Marzani v. United States, 168 F.2d 133 (D.C. Cir.), aff'd, 335 U.S. 895 (1948). In short, the F.B.I. interview may occur -- as it did here -- under extremely informal circumstances which do not sufficiently alert the person interviewed to the danger that false statements may lead to a felony conviction. Friedman v. United States, supra, at 367; United States v. Levin, supra, at 90.

This informality is particularly serious in light of the Supreme Court's recent decision in <u>Bronston</u> v. <u>United</u>

<u>States</u>, 409 U.S. 352 (1972), in which the Court held that an incomplete, misleading or deceptive statement does not constitute perjury so long as it is literally true. If this principle is not applied to prosecutions under § 1001, then it constitutes one

more significant safeguard that can be avoided by the application of that statute to F.B.I. interviews. On the other hand, if the Bronston literal-truth test is applied to allegedly false representations under § 1001, which would appear to be the more reasonable result, then the absence of a transcript would make application of that test nearly impossible. In the instant case, defendant Ehrlichman was faced with the difficult task of arguing that his statements to the F.B.I. were literally true on the sole basis of the agent's sketchy notes, which do not purport to be a verbatim record of either the questions or the answers at issue and which were not even shown to him until shortly before trial.

In light of all these considerations, the Court concludes that § 1001 was improperly invoked in this case.

Accordingly, under Rule 29(b) and (c) of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure, the verdict of guilty on count two of the indictment is hereby set aside and a judgment of acquittal on that count is entered in its place.

SO ORDERED.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

July 22 , 1974.

for

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ;

JOSEPH GAMBINO,

Defendant. ;

AFFIDAVIT IN OPPOSITION TO NOTICE OF MOTION

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Edward M. Shaw, being duly sworn, deposes and avent

- 1. I am a Special Attorney with the United States
 Department of Justice. I was in charge of the above prosecution and am fully familiar with the facts.
- 2. I make this affidavit in response to the defendant Gambino's motion to vacate his conviction and sentence.
- 3. Even assuming that this motion were timely filed and appropriately brought under Section 2255 of Title 18. United States Code, it remains utterly frivolous. Gambino's conviction and sentence in the Court were upheld in the Court of Appeals, and are in no way affected by the remarks of a District Judge, sitting in another Circuit, commenting upon the prosecution of some other defendant for some other crime.
- Gambino's papers present no reason whatsoever for altering his conviction or sentence.

WHEREFORE, the Government requests that this motion be in all respects denied.

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EDWARD M. SHAW Special Attorney Department of Justice

Sworn to before me this

13 day of December, 1974

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ENDORSEMENT

Even assuming that this motion were appropriately brought under 28 U.S.C. § 2255, I must deny it on the merits. Petitioner's conviction and sentence were upheld by the Court of Appeals, Second Circuit. The decision of a judge in another circuit is not binding upon this Court. Moreover, that decision -- United States v. Erlichman, et al., Crim. No. 74-116 (D.D.C., July 22, 1974) -- related to 18 U.S.C. § 1001, whereas petitioner was convicted and sentenced under 28 U.S.C. § 911.

Accordingly, the motion is denied.

So Ordered. January 29, 1975.

U.S.D.J.

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

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JOSEPH GAMBINO.

NOTICE OF APPEAL

Defendant-Appellant.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the defendant, Joseph Gambino, hereby appeals to the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit, from the Memorandum and Order of the Honorable Charles H. Tenney, United States District Court Judge for the Southern District of New York denying the defendant-appellant's motion pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §2255, entered in the Office of the Clerk on January 31, 1975, and from each and every part thereof.

Dated: New York, New York February 26, 1975

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By A Member of the Firm

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